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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

The Applicant hereby submits the following amendments and explanation in this case pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.114, as a Request for Continued Examination. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set, making a response to this action due on or by February 3, 2007. The Applicant is requesting that this time period be extended for two months to and including April 3, 2007. A Petition for Extension of Time is submitted herewith along with the prescribed fee.

This Request for Continued Examination is appropriate because:

- this request is made prior to payment of the issue fee [37 CFR 1.114 (a)(1)]; i)
- ii) the application has not been abandoned [37 CFR 1.114 (a)(2)];
- iii) no notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has been filed [37 CFR 1.114 (a)(3)];
- iv) prosecution on the application is closed by either a final action or issuance of a notice of allowance [37 CFR 1.114 (b)];
- v) this application is not a provisional application [37 CFR 1.114 (e)(1)];
- vi) this is a not utility patent application filed before June 8, 1995 [37 CFR 1.114 (e)(2);
- vii) this application is not an international application filed under 35 U.S.C. 363 before June 8, 1995 [37 CFR 1.114 (e)(3)];

- viii) this application is not a design patent application [37 CFR 1.114 (e)(4)]; and
- ix) this is not a patent under reexamination [37 CFR 1.114 (e)(5)].

To respond to all issues, this amendment is submitted in accordance with the amendment directions provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Each amendment is believed to have been made in accordance with Rule 121, however, should any unintended informality exist, it is requested that the undersigned be contacted by telephone so that it may be resolved as expediently as possible.

- 1. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of all claims beginning on separate page 3 of this response; and
- 2. Remarks begin on page 10 of this response.